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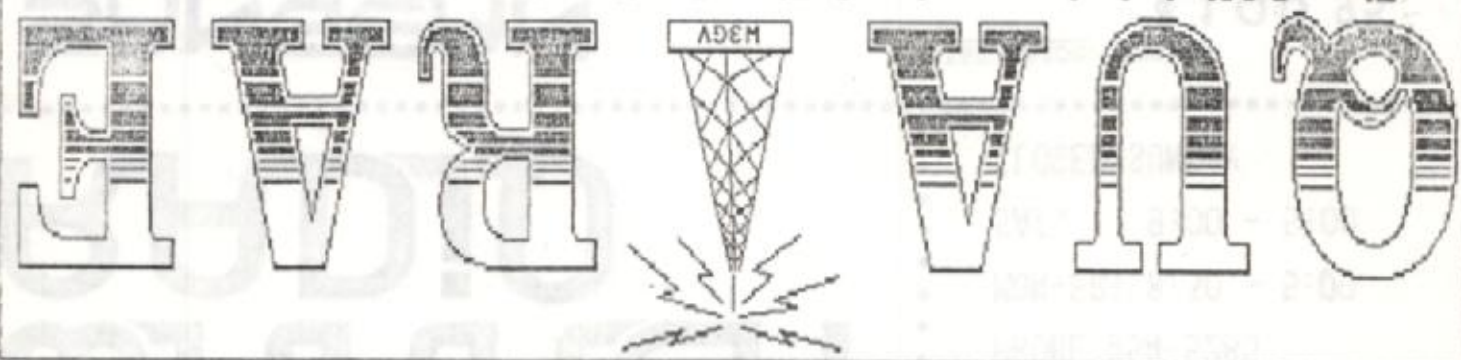
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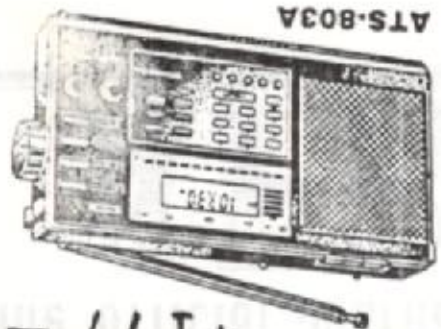
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It is heartening to see the refreshing changes happening in the RAE. The Hamfest plans, Public Service events, education classes, field day plans, picnic, springfest, Niagara Special Event, etc. Having new blood in the leadership areas has certainly made a difference. Rather than slight anyone I won't mention names in this casual missive. We all know who the people are who are doing things.

This is not to slight any of the old guard who gave much of themselves and their time in the past. Our club wouldn't have held together through thick and thin had they not performed so well.

Now we need to get behind and along side of the people who are working hard to get things moving. You are needed, please call Joe Ciano or Eric for Public Service, Gary for Hamfest, Dave Alexander or Ron Seybold for field day activities. For repeater assistance call Tony or Dave Henderson or Gary. For Skywarn call Joe Ciano or Gary or Joe Pearo.

One of the new activities is to set up a portable repeater for emergencies and for Public Service events. In some cases it will keep such traffic off the main repeater. In the case of large area coverage it may be used to link with the .61 machine. Call Gary if you want to help with this project.

With this issue you will find a new membership list, with phone numbers and autodial numbers. Remove it from the QRAE and use it to contact the people mentioned here and for future reference. We won't publish the full book this year.

Check into the Sunday Night net at 6:30 for latest news. We can use more participation in the net; offer to be Net Control, it is a pleasant diversion, only once a week and good practice for any Ham. We assign Net Control Operators on a week by week basis, so there is no long term commitment.

By the time you read this, Earth Day will be history for this year! I hope there will be enough operators to do credit to the Ham community. I have been following the news in QST regarding the proposed Communicator license. At first I wasn't keen on the proposal, but as I reflect on it I think it can help get new good amateurs. We certainly need more amateurs to maintain the bands and to participate in activities of all kinds. One aspect that doesn't grab me is the idea of having a separate certificate for Communicators who later pass the code test.

That really seems flaky, but maybe it will cause those people to get their general ticket later. The certificate would be only locally issued and maintained and would never see the inside of the FCC offices. It just doesn't seem like a businesslike way to run a railroad. You can if you wish express opinion to ARRL and the FCC. The April '90 QST has the instructions for filing with the FCC. They really do pay attention to comments from the Ham community.

Speaking of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), I have heard some Hams now and then cut down the League because they supported something that the person did not agree with. I don't know how any organization can be all things to all people. But the ARRL has supported and is supporting our interests quite well. They are the only group structured to help Amateurs. The next big test and effort by the League will be WARC-92, which is the World Amateur Radio Conference. Fortunately, the sense of Congress Resolution last year told the FCC that Amateur Radio is to be looked at in a friendly manner by Federal Agencies.

Among the many topics to be covered at WARC-92 will be band allocations; the League has very little time to work on their participation in the WARC. It is certainly possible that we could lose some frequency segments; with good work by the ARRL we could benefit from the WARC. Remember that the last WARC resulted in several new bands for our use. It didn't just happen, it took much work by many groups.

If you aren't a member, join the ARRL. But do it through the RAE! We need to monitor our members participation in ARRL since we are an affiliate club and need 50% or better membership in the League to maintain our affiliation. Use the enclosed form in the QRAE to join or renew and please send it to me with your check. We will forward it en masse (we hope) to the League. If you hand it to me at the next club meeting you'll save the postage.

KA3FZO

Thanks for your time. 73's.

A word to a certin operator who shall remain nameless:
" Just because people try to help you carry the ball doesn't
mean they want to be the quaterback or want your job. Cutting
your own coax won't help you get out better it only hurts
your own signal."

A special ketchunk of the repeater to KA3VG and N3HUM and
all those operators who participated in communications for
the Earth Day Walkathon on April 21st. Job well done.

As soon as the dates are confirmed I'll let you know. If you
want to attend let me know and we will add your name to the
list. You can reach me on either 61 or 82 or by telephone at
474-3736.

For anyone that is interested a new set of Ham Radio
classes are scheduled to begin in May. There is quite alot of
interest and for those of us that didn't upgrade with the
last set or those of you that want to move up from your new
licenses we hope to see you there.

Finally the Kendecom Repeater is back from the factory and
is in operation on 146.22/82 from my QTH in Fairview.
Coverage is rather limited because the antenna is only about
20 feet off the ground. From what I understand there are
still a few adjustments to be made but its working. So if you
can hit it please use it. Now all we have to do is find a
permanent site for it. Next comes the GE and the Spectrum.
Also at this time we are on the verge of acquiring a site for
a satellite receiver for the 146.01/61 repeater to help cover
the East county area. The site is high on a hill and well to
the east.

RAE MEETING April 5, 1990

The meeting was opened at 7:32 P.M. by

president, Gary KA3FZO. Thirty-two members and seven visitors were present. Joe Seppala, KC3LY moved that the club accept the minutes of the March meeting, and the April Board of Directors meeting, as printed in the QUA-RAE.

Second by Tom, N3HPR, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SERVICE: Eric, N3HUM mentioned a public service event providing communications for a Boy Scout hike at Presque Isle upcoming on April 7. All necessary insurance documentation is on file in order for the club to support this event.

REPEATER: Tony, WB3KGT, announced that the 82 repeater work is still in progress. The Kandecom is still at the factory for service. The two-meter remote base is back on .61, but there are some problems with it that need to be worked on.

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Spinks, KJ3L, announced we currently have 166 members.

BY-LAWS: Joe Seppala now has a copy of the articles of incorporation for the club, but no meeting of the committee has yet been held. A By-Laws committee meeting will definitely be held before the next club meeting.

PROPERTY: Gene Rogowski stated the club generator which has been sent to Tech High School for repair will need a new part which cost approx \$125.00. Before the club can commit to this expenditure, we will need to investigate the cost effectiveness of purchasing a new generator rather than repairing the old one.

BUDGET & AUDIT: Matt Rizzo announced the budget committee met on Feb 10, and has submitted a list of items to the Board of Directors for consideration in order to help finalize the budget. A full list of these recommendations is available from Matt on request. Matt would like to publish a treasurer's manual in order to assist future treasurers of the club manage the finances.

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Rizzo inquired whether the club still gets a

commission on ARRL new memberships and renewals. This is still possible, but new ARRL membership applications and renewals must be submitted to the RAE, who will deduct the commission and forward the remainder to the ARRL.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Matt Rizzo reported a

checking balance of \$2,755.86, a general savings balance of \$99.81, public service balance \$2,357.83, life membership balance \$1,187.97, and education balance of \$614.12 for a total cash balance of \$7,015.59. Joe Pearo moved to accept the treasurer's report. Second by George Bablak. Motion carried.

VE TEAM: Norma, W3CG announced that Amateur Radio exams were administered by the VE Team at the Radio classes. As a result of these exams, there were several new hams, and several upgrades of licenses.

OLD BUSINESS: Floyd Titus, WA3LCO,

announced the hamfest will be held on Saturday, September 8 at Rainbow Gardens. Anyone interested in assisting with the hamfest should contact Floyd.

Eric, N3HUM moved that the club provide communications for the Boy Scout Hike mentioned in the Public Service report. Second by WA3LCO. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Ken, KZ3E brought up the question whether or not we need a policy whereby the club should vote on accepting new members into the organization. This will be referred to the By-Laws committee.

Matt Rizzo moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Joe Seppala. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

Following the business meeting there was a presentation by Tim Earl from WSEE TV on Doppler weather radar.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Teles, KZ3E,
Secretary

PENNSYLVANIA QSO PARTY

With the coming of the snow birds back from Florida, and the opening of trout season, we enter into a very active amateur radio summer season; a Field Day, our club sponsored Ham Fest, and the many Public Service events will make for a lot of ham activity. We all should mark our calendars for Oct 13 and 14 for the PA QSO party. This has become one of the more popular contests in the country and this year there were 175 PA entries.

The RAE had 20 entries and the winning club had more than three times that many. Any one who was in the contest remembers that every other station we heard was Lehigh County so I am not surprised they won by such a margin. Let's see if we can get a lot more interested RAE club hams active in the contest this year and improve our showing.

Many thanks to all of you that participated last October.

W3PIX Dick

Club Name	Club Score	By, Entries	Club Blank
Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club	16801.1	61	13485
Keynes Amateur Radio Club	8710.0	21	8037.6
*** Dubuqueville RT Association	8712.0	20	8037.6
Reading Radio Club	10855.0	19	10762.0
Penns. Wireless Association	55777.5	18	55777.5
Penn State Amateur Radio Club	10855.0	18	10855.0
Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club	12593.0	8	8037.6
Penn State Amateur Radio Club	12000.0	2	8037.6
Real Beach ABC	11795.0	1	8037.6
TEAC	11660.0	2	8037.6
Reading Amateur Radio Club	11652.5	5	8037.6
RF 8111 Amateur Club	104271.5	1	8037.6
Central Penn., RT Club	95261.5	1	8037.6
Crawford Amateur Radio Society	80295.0	2	8037.6
Titelate ABC	82705.0	1	8037.6
Dougherty Co., Amateur Radio Club	81671.0	11	8037.6
King County Amateur Radio Club	80261.0	1	8037.6
Reading Mountain Amateur Radio Club	58171.5	1	8037.6
Alliance Amateur Radio Club (Ohio)	54200.0	1	8037.6
Lebanon Valley Soc., of RA	46620.0	2	8037.6
Forrest County Amateur Radio Club	35031.0	2	8037.6
Western Pa. RT Association	21852.0	2	8037.6
Berksboro Amateur Radio Club	21689.0	3	8037.6

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K4P12	15	15	2	13	*	220	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
W4P11	11	11	1	0	*	511	ERT	RAE	6	WPA
N7AFM	13	13	1	*	*	513	ERT	RAE	6	WPA
W4JFE	23	23	19	4	*	529	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
W4SGT	52	52	24	11	*	1820	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
N7AFM	70	70	28	6	*	2080	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
N7CO	61	61	41	6	*	2745	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K4ATB/M	49	49	10	23	*	2925.5	ERT	*	6	WPA
K4CPW	89	89	38	7	*	4005	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K4CB	6	115	47	15	*	8078	ERT	RAE	4	WPA
W4BGD	25	45	117	40	12	9047.5	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K2BY	152	152	52	8	*	9120	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K7OP	158	158	55	17	*	11376	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K7BO	140	140	41	18	*	13638.5	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K7CB	250	250	61	26	*	22230	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
W4MD	206	206	48	32	*	27040	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
N7XCT	291	291	60	51	*	43401	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
W4KAI	205	205	58	62	*	46200	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K7BL	6	116	246	61	50	47952	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
W4JUN	23	218	113	39	51	51106	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K7EY	469	469	58	53	*	53059	ERT	RAE	3	WPA
K4P11	467	467	60	58	*	55006	ERT	RAE	6	WPA

HAMFESTS

May 5 Oswego NY Southern Tier ARC
 May 18-20 Rochester NY
 ARL Atlantic Division Convention
 May 20 Wheeling WVA TSRA
 June 3 Butler PA Breeseshooters
 June 3 Lancaster NY Lancaster ARC
 June 10 Akron OH Goodyear ARC
 July 8 Batavia NY Genesee RA
 July 8 Pittsburgh PA North Hills ARC
 Sept 8 Erie PA RAE
 HAM-0-RAMA COMPUTER FAIR
 Sept 9 Butler PA Butler Co ARC

KUDOS AND CONGRATS

- to Cadet Captain Ken Telets KZ3E of the Gannon ROTC for receiving the Military Excellence Award from the American Legion
- to Jonathan Vidal ex N3GIU who is now an Amateur Extra Class, now to be known as NY3Z

EARTH DAY RALLY

N3HUM - Net Control
 K3FZO
 WB3DOM
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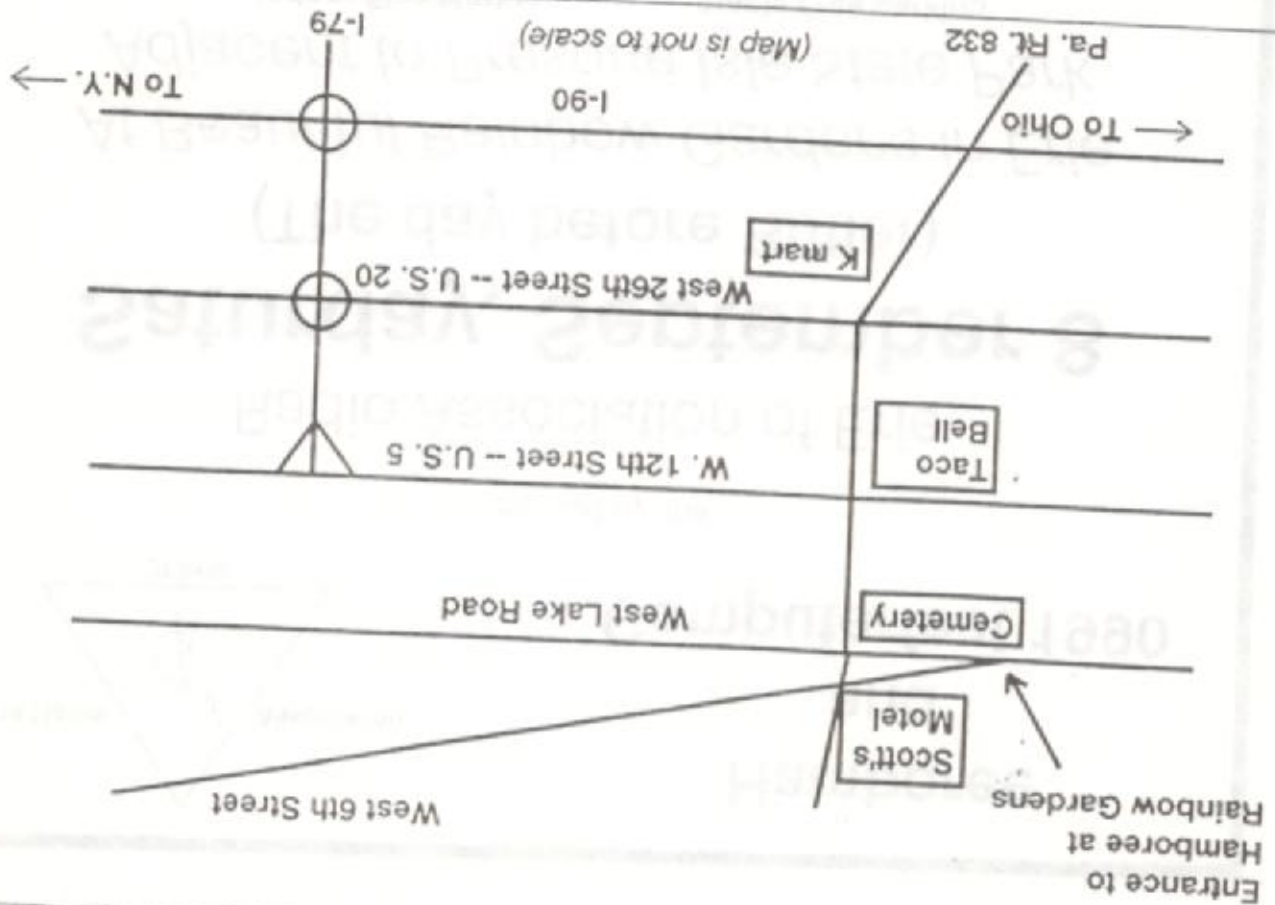
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 K3HYZ
 N3FAW
 WB2GTM
 W3TLA
 W3STK
 K3APMW
 K3AUAH

PUBLIC SERVICE

April was a busy month for public service events; there were two of them which popped up unexpectedly, but Joe Ciano K3VIG corralled his troops and they performed yeoman service. Many comments were directed toward Joe's first tour of duty as Net Control for the events

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